



**MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
NW Mental Health Center, Crookston, MN – February 7, 2020**

**MINUTES**

**Members present:** Brad Bergstrom, Brittney Bimler, Randy Bruer, Jason Carlson, Aaron Cook, Jim Guetter, Catherine Johnson, Sarah Kjono, Chris Kujava, Karla Langaas, Shauna Reitmeier,

**Absent:** Jeff Bisek, Maureen Hams, Kathleen Johnson, Lon Jorgensen, Andrew Larson, Kristi Nelson, Frances Tougas, Shawn Yates

**Others present:** Faye Auchenpaugh, Colleen MacRae

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Randy Bruer, Chair.
2. **Agenda:** **M/S/C:** (Carlson/Kujava) to approve the agenda.
3. **Approval of minutes of December 6, 2019:** **M/S/C:** (Reitmeier/Cook) to approve.
4. **Financials and Bills:**
  - **M/S/C:** (Bergstrom/Kujava) to approve payment of December 2019 and January 2020 facilitator invoices.
5. **Grant Opportunities and Reports:**
  - **21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers:** Eric Billiett from MDE was at Win-E-Mac for a project meeting visit. Jackie Chwialkowski, Faye Auchenpaugh, and coordinators from all four sites were present. Billiett apologized to the group for the lack of support we had received from MDE. He then met with the four superintendents and those discussions centered around budgeting and expending funds in this last year of the first three-year grant period. We can add projects and increase expenses for supplies and transportation. He also said that funding for another three years was approved. Superintendents will develop a new budget by April or May.
  - **BJA's STOP School Violence:** East Grand Forks Police Chief of Police Mike Hedlund had brought this opportunity to Mike Kolness, East Grand Forks Superintendent. Kolness forwarded it to Bruer and Auchenpaugh, wondering if it might be a grant the Collaborative would consider writing. The Board's decided that Auchenpaugh should meet with Jim Tadman, Paul Biermeier, Mike Hedlund and Mike Kolness to see if they were all in favor of pursuing and, if so, to bring it to the Board via email for approval. Auchenpaugh agreed to write the grant proposal that is due March 3<sup>rd</sup> for a fee of up to \$6,000. **M/S/C** (Bruer/Guetter) via email on February 14, 2020 to approve. In addition to Bruer and Guetter, ayes received from Bergstrom, Bimler, Carlson, C. Johnson, Jorgensen, Tougas and Yates.
  - **COPS Community Policing Development:** The 2020 CPD program will fund projects that develop knowledge, increase awareness of effective community policing strategies, increase the skills and abilities of law enforcement and community partners, increase the number of law enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders using proven community policing practices, and institutionalize community policing practice in routine business. Awards of up to \$350,000 over 2 years with no match requirement. Proposals are due March 31<sup>st</sup>.
6. **Presenter—Jenna Zmyslony:** Zmyslony is the new Regional ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Training Coordinator for our area and explained the process for counties to join (Pennington is one county that is in). She is willing to give presentations to county collaboratives or wherever is needed. Bimler remarked that she had heard a speaker who said that 5,000 Minnesota teens have traded sex for money. She will contact the speaker to see if she can speak to our group. We will set aside a half hour at our next meeting for this speaker.
7. **2020 Census:** General discussion about the census and how we can help ensure that everyone is counted.
8. **Bi-Annual Meeting:** It was agreed that we should ask the state demographer to speak, since we haven't heard from this office in a couple of years. If the Governor can't speak, then we should see if we can get the Lt. Governor.
9. **Adjournment:** **M/S/C** (Langaas/Bergstrom) to adjourn.

**Next meeting:** **Friday, March 6, 2020, 9:30 – 11:30 am.** Reitmeier may be absent because she is on the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission and they meet the first and third Fridays of the month.

Faye Auchenpaugh, Facilitator